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Appointments to fill vacancies in subsidiary organs and other appointments: appointment of members of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions

Report of the Fifth Committee

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1. At its 19th plenary meeting, on 20 September 2002, the General Assembly, on the recommendation of the General Committee, decided to include in the agenda of its fifty-seventh session the item entitled "Appointments to fill vacancies in subsidiary organs and other appointments: appointment of members of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions".

2. At its 19th meeting, on 1 November 2002, the Fifth Committee had before it a note by the Secretary-General (A/57/101) concerning the vacancies in the membership of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions that would occur as a result of the expiration of the term of office of five of its members on 31 December 2002.

3. The Fifth Committee also had before it a note by the Secretary-General (A/C.5/57/5) containing the names of six persons nominated by their respective Governments for appointment or reappointment to the Advisory Committee for a three-year term of office beginning on 1 January 2003.

4. At its 19th meeting, the Committee decided, by acclamation, to recommend to the General Assembly that it appoint Homero Luis Hernandez (Dominican Republic), Thomas Mazet (Germany), Susan McLurg (United States of America) and Mounir Zahran (Egypt), as members of the Advisory Committee for a three-year term of office beginning on 1 January 2003 (see para. 7).

5. The Fifth Committee then proceeded to elect, by secret ballot, one person from the two candidates proposed by the Eastern European States. The result of the voting was as follows:

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Number of ballots cast:	178
Invalid ballots:	2
Number of valid ballots:	176
Abstentions:	0
Number of members voting:	176
Required majority:	89
Number of votes obtained:	
Vladimir V. Kuznetsov	106
David Aptsiauri	70

6. Having obtained the required majority, Vladimir V. Kuznetsov (Russian Federation) was recommended for appointment as a member of the Advisory Committee for a three-year term of office beginning on 1 January 2003 (see para. 7).

Recommendation of the Fifth Committee

7. The Fifth Committee recommends that the General Assembly appoint the following persons as members of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions for a three-year term of office beginning on 1 January 2003:

Mr. Homero Luis Hernandez (Dominican Republic)
Mr. Vladimir V. Kuznetsov (Russian Federation)
Mr. Thomas Mazet (Germany)
Ms. Susan McLurg (United States of America)
Mr. Mounir Zahran (Egypt)